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Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Re: BNSF Railway Company
Leveraged Lease Financing
BNSF 2006-M

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am enclosing for recording pursuant to Section 11301 of Title 49 of the United States Code, two original copies of the Memorandum of Equipment Lease Agreement (BNSF 2006-M), dated as of August 9, 2006, between U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee of the BNSF 2006-M Statutory Trust, as lessor (the "Lessor"), and BNSF Railway Company, as lessee (the "Lessee"), a primary document as defined in the Surface Transportation Board's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are as follows:

Lessee: BNSF Railway Company
2500 Lou Menk Drive
Fort Worth, Texas 76131-2828

Lessor: U.S. Bank Trust National Association
225 Asylum Street, 23rd Floor
Hartford, Connecticut 06103
Attention: Corporate Trust Services

The equipment covered as of the date hereof by the aforesaid Memorandum of Equipment Lease Agreement consists of 196 Coal Rotary Gondola Cars bearing the reporting marks within the series BNSF 671041 through BNSF 671236, inclusive, 650 Aluminum Rapid Discharge Coal Cars bearing the reporting marks within the series BNSF 652700 through BNSF 699626, 205 50' Box Cars bearing the reporting marks within the series BNSF 729000 through BNSF 729214 and 253 Centerbeam Flatcars bearing the reporting marks within the

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series BNSF 561278 through BNSF 561530, inclusive; all as specifically described in Exhibit A attached hereto.

A short summary of the document to appear in the index follows:

Memorandum of Equipment Lease Agreement (BNSF 2006-M) between U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee of the BNSF 2006-M Statutory Trust, as Lessor and BNSF Railway Company, as Lessee.

A fee of thirty-four dollars (\$34.00) is enclosed. Please time and date stamp the enclosed copy of the enclosed document along with the extra copy of this letter as proof of filing and recordation of the enclosed document and return the original and any extra copies of such document and this letter not needed by the Board for recordation to:

Robert Alvord, Esq.
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1050 Seventeenth Street, N.W.
Suite 301
Washington, D.C. 20036

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned (312-845-2991).

Sincerely,

CHAPMAN AND CUTLER LLP

By Michael D. Robson
Michael D. Robson

Enclosures

EXHIBIT A**UNITS**

EQUIPMENT	QUANTITY	REPORTING MARKS
Coal Rotary Gondola Cars	196	BNSF 671041 through BNSF 671236, inclusive
Aluminum Rapid Discharge Coal Cars	650	BNSF 652700 through BNSF 653348, inclusive BNSF 699626
50' Box Cars	205	BNSF 729000 through BNSF 729127, inclusive BNSF 729129 through BNSF 729142, inclusive BNSF 729144 through BNSF 729199, inclusive BNSF 729201 BNSF 729205 through BNSF 729209, inclusive BNSF 729214
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**MEMORANDUM OF EQUIPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT
(BNSF 2006-M)**

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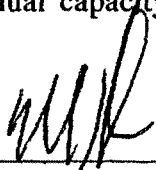
Memorandum of Equipment Lease Agreement, made and entered into as of August 9, 2006, by and between U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Owner Trustee, a national banking association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee of the BNSF 2006-M Statutory Trust, as Lessor ("*Lessor*"), and BNSF Railway Company, a Delaware corporation, as Lessee ("*Lessee*").

WITNESSETH:

The undersigned have entered into that certain Equipment Lease Agreement (BNSF 2006-M), dated as of August 1, 2006 (the "*Lease Agreement*"), whereby the Lessor has agreed to lease to Lessee and Lessee has agreed to lease from Lessor certain railroad equipment bearing reporting marks as listed on Exhibit A attached hereto, effective as of the date first set forth hereinabove and subject to the term defined in said Lease Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have each caused this memorandum to be duly executed by their respective officers duly authorized as of the date and year first above written.

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
not in its individual capacity, but solely as
Owner Trustee

By 
Name: Michael M. Hopkins
Title: Vice President

Executed on this 2 day of August, 2006.

BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY

By _____
Name: L. Steven Vollmer
Title: General Director-Finance

Executed on this ____ day of August, 2006.


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BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY

By  _____
Name: L. Steven Vollmer
Title: General Director-Finance

Executed on this 2nd day of August, 2006.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT)
)
COUNTY OF HARTFORD) SS:

On this, the 2nd day of August, 2006, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Michael M. Hopkins, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the Vice President of U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, that said instrument was signed on August 2, 2006 on behalf of said association by authority of its Board of Directors, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said association.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

SUSAN P. McNALLY
NOTARY PUBLIC
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MARCH 31, 2010

Susan P. McNally
Name: _____
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: Connecticut
Residing in _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
)
COUNTY OF TARRANT) SS:

On this ____ day of August, 2006, before me personally appeared L. Steven Vollmer to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the General Director-Finance of BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY, that said instrument was signed on August ____, 2006, on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

Name: _____
Notary Public –
My Commission Expires:
Residing in _____

(SEAL)

STATE OF CONNECTICUT)
)
COUNTY OF HARTFORD) SS:

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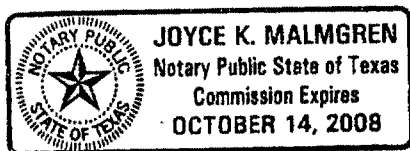
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

Name:
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:
Residing in _____

STATE OF TEXAS)
)
COUNTY OF TARRANT) SS:

On this 2nd day of August, 2006, before me personally appeared L. Steven Vollmer to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the General Director-Finance of BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY, that said instrument was signed on August 2, 2006, on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.



(SEAL)

Joyce K. Malmgren
Name:
Notary Public -
My Commission Expires:
Residing in Tarrant County, TX

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Centerbeam Flatcars	253		BNSF 561278 through BNSF 561530, inclusive

CERTIFICATION

I, Robert W. Alvord, attorney licensed to practice in the State of New York and the District of Columbia, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that I have compared the attached copy with the original thereof and have found the copy to be complete and identical in all respects to the original document.

Dated: _____

8/7/06



Robert W. Alvord